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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)
1915/13971US04In re the Application of
Grooms, James, et al.Application Number
09/905,683Filed
07/13/01

For

Cortical Bone Cervical Smith-Robinson Fusion ImplantGroup Art Unit
3738Examiner
Bruce Edward Snow

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows
(check time period desired):

- One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))
- Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))
- Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))
- Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))
- Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____.
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-0017. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor

- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 32,167
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) _____

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Date

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Telephone Number

Signature

Donald J. Pochopien

Typed or printed name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

- Total of 1 forms are submitted.